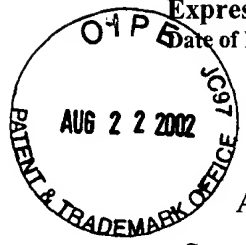
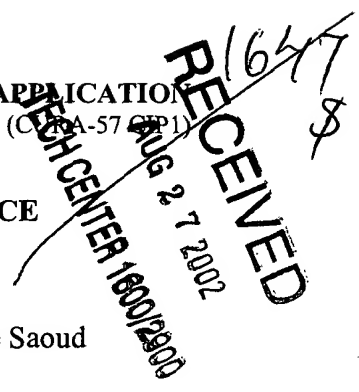


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith in response to the May 23, 2002, Office Action in the present application are the following documents:

- Response to Restriction Requirement (1 pg.);
- Petition for Extension of Time for two months (in duplicate) (1 pg.);
- Check for \$200.00 (#13802) to cover the extension fee; and
- Return Postcard.

Applicants believe this filing is due on or before Friday, August 22, 2002, with a two month extension of time. The enclosed check is to cover the \$200.00 (#13802) surcharge under 37 CFR §1.17(a)(2). Although Applicants believe that no additional fees are due in connection with this submission, the Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-557 CIP2 (CURA-57 CIP2). A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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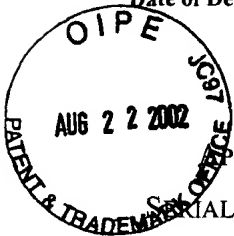
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the May 23, 2002, Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect Group III, claims 18-20, 33, 43, and 48, drawn to antibodies, classified in class 530, subclass 387.1, without traverse.

CONCLUSION

A petition for a two month extension of time is enclosed. This document is timely filed with a two month extension with appropriate fee when filed by Friday, August 23, 2002. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees required in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-557 CIP2 (Cura-57 CIP2).

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